

WILSON STOPS GERMAN GETTING OUR COTTON

(Special to The Sun)
WASHINGTON, Oct. 20.—Cotton is still king down south and even the president's proclamation requiring a license before it can be exported will not topple the snowy boll from its throne.
The cotton prevented from going to neutral countries will be more than absorbed by the tremendous demand elsewhere.
The indicated yield this year is only 12,000,000 bales and the demand is for about 14,000,000. Wherefore, cotton planters, faced by a ten-cent price at the beginning of the world war, are now enjoying 24 to 26, and expecting as much as 30.
Prior to the war cotton was our leading single export. Even now with all the shipments of food and supplies to the allies it still ranks fourth, important because of its use in munitions.
All of which is another reason for the president's proclamation. It is endeavoring to keep cotton from leaking into Germany through friendly neutrals. He was led to do this by a study of the export figures.
The average mill consumption of cotton by Norway was 11,000 bales and the average pre-war importation from us was 6097, but in 1915 this rose to 59,894.
The average mill consumption by Denmark was 22,500 and the average pre-war importation 750 bales, but in 1915 this rose to 38,831.
The average mill consumption by Switzerland was 106,100 bales. She

imported practically no cotton from us directly before the war, but in 1915 she took 15,399 bales.
The average mill consumption in Spain was 317,000 bales and her average pre-war importation from us was 270,764 bales. In 1915 she took 464,504.
Figures for Holland and Sweden showed the most astounding demands and it is these countries that are under suspicion as German supply agents.
Holland is not ordinarily a large consumer of cotton. Her average mill consumption is only 80,800 bales and she only took from us before the war an average of 23,371 bales. But in 1915 she bought 534,075 bales, or just about six and one-half times her mill supply.
Sweden's mill consumption averages only 55,000 bales and she used to take 39,824 bales. But in 1915 she bought 753,307 bales.
She and Holland together in that year took one-seventh of all our cotton exports.
England was quick to see what these figures meant. As a result, England finally declared cotton absolute contraband of war. Nothing is more certain than that Germany was importing all the cotton she needed from the United States through Norway, Denmark, Holland, Switzerland, Spain and Sweden.
Sweden's proclamation will finish the job, as a cogent reason will have to be given before a bale of cotton will be licensed for export.

HARRY B. HUNT.

THE SPELLBINDER

From all this agitation concerning the probable coming of a provost guard to Lowell, one would infer that some heretofore unheard of monster of a destructive nature was about to be inflicted upon the city, which of course is not the case. When the call to the colors came last evening and the boys of the Sixth and Ninth were ordered to report at the armory and remain there, a provost guard was sent out and it patrolled the streets of Lowell for several days and there was not a line in the papers about it. Like Dr. Cyprian, the city fathers and members went about the city "prodding the lazy ones on with a stick," and nobody paid any attention to them beyond according a passing glance at the formidable looking nightsticks carried by them. At that time the provost guard patrolled strictly the business and the average citizen didn't know that it was on the job even when rubbing elbows with its members. So it will be when the provost guard comes again. It will concern itself with soldiers only. Its presence will not take the place of local police activity, nor will it in any way interfere with the work of the local police. During the Spanish war provost guards were on duty around all of the mobilization camps, and their territory extended for miles. In this war the same procedure has been followed in the city of Lowell. In Boston, Revere, Portsmouth, Kittery, and other places adjacent to the navy yards and the naval reserve stations. They were needed in Newport, and they are to be found all over the country. The fact that a guard may come here is no reason for any citizen to be alarmed. The U. S. Cartridge Co. and the Newton Mfg. Co. have their own police departments. Each has a sort of provost guard of its own, and nobody has objected. On the contrary, these departments have furnished good protection for large numbers of citizens and have greatly allayed the fears of the timid. The impression seems to be abroad that the provost guard will "take up the police burdens that rightly devolve on the local officers. Nothing could be further from the truth. The local police will continue their rigid crusade against illicit liquor selling to soldiers and against the undesirable camp followers who may come into town while the provost guard will attend to police matters of a military nature with orders from headquarters at the rear rather than from police headquarters. It must be borne in mind that if the authorities at Camp Devens decide that Lowell is not a proper place for soldiers to visit, it needs but to give the order and the soldiers will cease their visits and the storekeepers will be busy doling out the money that the provost guard is a proper place for them to visit, and the mayor intends that it shall be kept a proper place. His activities have met with the entire approval of Major General Hodges, the commanding officer at Ayer, as expressed in the latter's letter to the Hon. Mr. published in Thursday evening's Sun. As long as General Hodges believes as he does at the present time, that Lowell isn't a bad place, there's no danger of the soldiers being withdrawn, and they will continue to come by the thousands and spend their money here. But have you the unwelcome articles that have appeared in some newspapers, particularly the Boston Traveler and the criticisms of some

of the so-called "church-people" who are prone to be alarmists, an impression has been given that the city is in a deplorable state, which is a downright libel on a decent community. Of the several thousands of soldiers who had a 24-hour furlough last Saturday and Sunday, 3900 came to Lowell. There were as many more soldiers who went to other destinations as there were who came to Lowell and, according to reports, a very small percentage of the entire quota misbehaved while on their Saturday furlough.
Nobody should get unduly alarmed over either the conditions or the methods adopted to control them.

City Affairs
In an editorial headed as above the Courier-Citizen says: "There has been a great deal of free political discussion on the streets which sounds decidedly as though the city is sick and tired of the petty politics. The voters have little concern about the individual controversies occurring constantly at city hall."
Can it be possible that the Courier-Citizen is advocating the election of more men who would do business after the fashion in which it has been attempted by some of the members this year? The controversies at city hall have been principally over certain measures that were open to criticism as not being good business, nor for the city's welfare, which certain members have attempted to put through. Would the Courier-Citizen like to see a municipal council in which one member would say to another: "I don't believe that your order is for the best interests of the city and the taxpayers, but rather than have any trouble or controversy I'll vote for it?"

The Moral is Obvious
A party from the Greek colony consisting of a young couple and an elderly man entered the city clerk's office at city hall a few days ago and the younger man announced that he and the young woman were about to get married and would like to declare their marriage intentions. The clerk asked the necessary questions which were answered by the couple, with the elderly man as a keen but silent observer. When the formalities had been complied with and the pair were about to depart, the elderly man said to the clerk:
"That all; they can get married now."
"In five days," replied the clerk.
Then the old fellow thrust his hand in his pocket and producing a roll that would "choke a horse," tipped off \$300 and presented it to the young man with a huge smile on his face. The \$300 was the bride's dowry, and the elderly gentleman her father.

Lost in the Shuffle
The poor old Sixth regiment despite its glorious record was horribly torn to pieces in the recent rearrangement of the regiments at Westfield and while the elderly and some of the non-coms still remain there a majority of the boys have departed for the other side and now I have received a letter from Newport News from 10 Lowell boys of the old Sixth who while members of the 1024 Infantry supply company

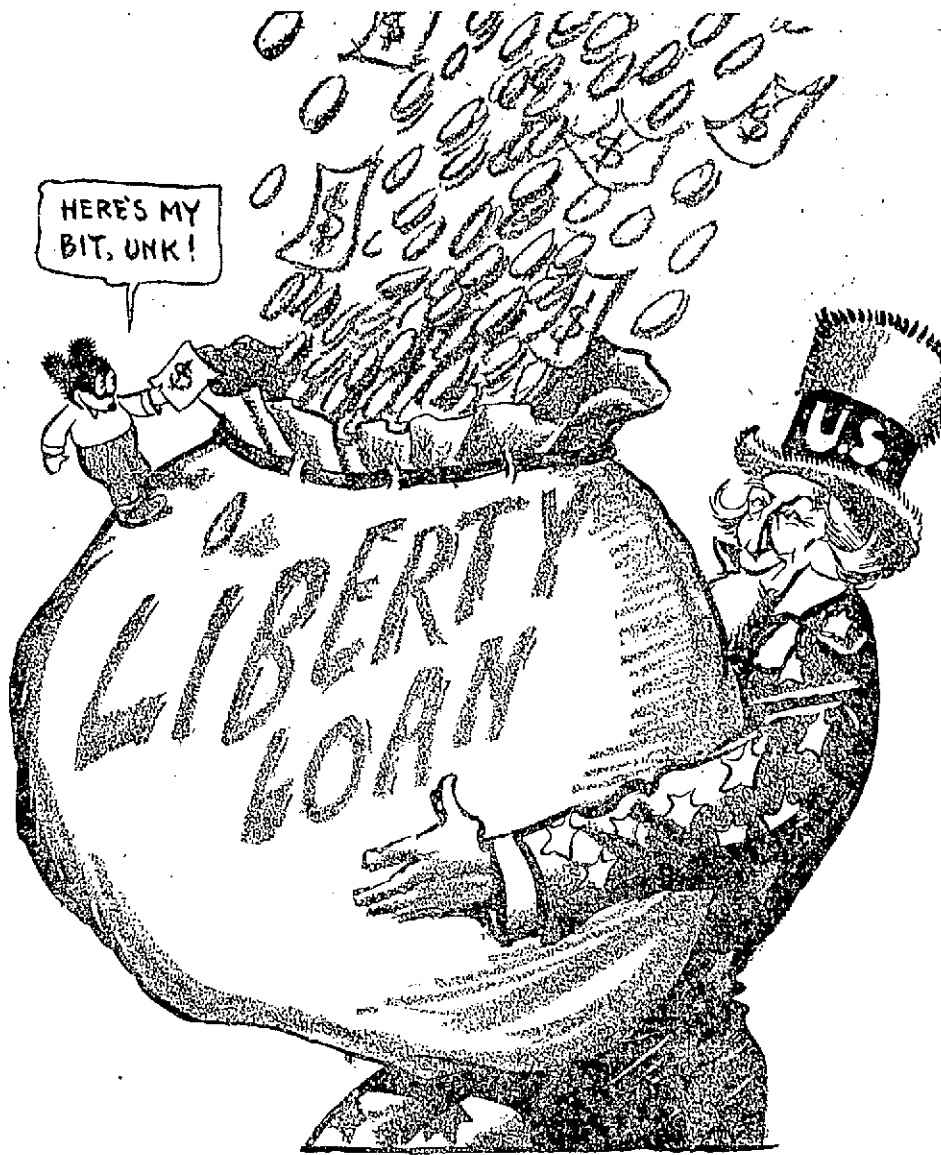
are stationed down there. The boys at Newport News are in hard luck. Through a mistake, their pay was sent across with that of the regiment and they haven't received any for three months while they are short on tobacco, cigarettes, stamps, tooth powder, etc. They have in the neighborhood of 20,000 horses and mules and 3000 colored soldiers at their camp. They are well housed and fed, but lack the little luxuries which they would get if their pay would only come along. The Lowell boys at Newport News, whose address is 1024 Infantry Supply Co. Hill Branch, Newport News, are: Wagoners James E. Kilbride, Hugh P. Ward, George R. Osborn, Michael George, Ernest George, Ben L. Wolfe, Ervin D. Town, Thomas A. Porter, Gus Limperis, Arthur Gavin and George Pans. At the same place, with the 101st Infantry Supply Co. is Alfred Gervais, also a Lowell boy.

A letter has also been received from James E. Keefe, a Lowell boy formerly employed by the Depot Coach company, who is with the 118th Aero Squadron, stationed at Camp Kelly, San Antonio, Tex., who says that there are a few other Lowell boys at Camp Kelly. Thus the Lowell boys are scattered through all the camps in the country while hundreds of them are "over there."

Not a Drinking Fountain
The new fountain in Cardinal O'Connell parkway is fast rounding into shape and when finished will present a most attractive appearance. It will be a spray fountain, the water dropping from on high into a large urn-like receptacle, the latter standing about six feet above the ground. A citizen who stopped to observe the work on the fountain a few days ago remarked to a friend: "I think that basin is altogether too high. Nobody will be able to get a drink out of that."
He was quite right for nobody but a graffe could reach it, and it is not intended that any one should. It is not a drinking fountain.

Quietest State Campaign on Record
This is the quietest state campaign on record locally for there is absolutely nothing doing and as yet there has been no talk of any rallies by either party. Hon. Henry J. Draper, conducting a quiet but active campaign for senator for he believes that having carried the district before he can do it again, especially since his opponent has done nothing during his career at the state house to arouse the enthusiasm of his party and district. There are a few representative contests for while there are two republican candidates in the ward 1-2-3 district, they haven't a burglar's chance against Reps. Murphy and Stowey. There was some talk of an independent candidate in the ward 2-6-7 and 8 district, but thus far his candidacy hasn't developed to any noticeable extent. With an excellent legislative record behind him and a wide acquaintance, former Senator Draper has a good fighting chance despite the republican majority of the district under ordinary circumstances. He has the advantage of an off-year, and of being a firm friend of labor legislation, at a time when friends of labor are running well throughout the state.

It is figured that the ashes from tobacco smoked in this country annually would yield over 44,000,000 pounds of potash, and 10,000,000 pounds of phosphorus, valued as fertilizers at \$50,000,000.
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FILL 'ER UP

A QUARTER CENTURY AGO

"Some day in the future," says The Sun of a quarter of a century ago, "the taxpayer and the head of the household will kick because his children have so many holidays. Today the schools are closed so that the teachers must go to Boston. The Middlesex County Teachers' convention is the objective point and then the sights will be taken in by the school marmas. About 250 teachers left the city to attend the convention."
They're still going to Boston to attend these conventions and have been for a quarter of a century and beyond. A few murmurs there have been no kick on the part of the taxpayer and head of the household. The latter evidently have concluded that if the conventions will improve the teachers and the result of the improvement will show in the pupils, there is no great harm done, while the school board is willing that the teachers shall go if they will only attend the conventions and not make the day the occasion for a shopping trip in Boston.

When Slattery Walked to Music
Says The Sun of a quarter of a century ago:
"At the services at St. Patrick's church, yesterday, Mr. Michael J. Johnson, the organist, played 'Slattery's March,' a composition by George E. Slattery, a member of the choir and he was as much surprised as anybody when Mr. Johnson started up the new march."
Young Ed. Slattery now plays father's march on his ukulele.

The Ludwig Concert
The Sun of a quarter of a century ago advertised the farewell appearance of Ludwig, the famous baritone, in Huntington hall on October 30, but the great singer like Sarah Bernhardt had annual farewell appearances for a number of years. Mr. Ludwig and his concert were as famous a quarter of a century ago as are those of John McCormack today. Ludwig had a magnificent baritone voice, and being an Irishman could sing an Irish song with true fire and pathos. He surrounded himself with singers of high repute and they were Ita Walsh, Donavan, for a number of years soloist.

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at the Immaculate Conception church, Boston, soprano: Mine. Mullin, contralto and Leonel Beaumont, tenor. In New York, Boston, Lowell, Lawrence or the other Massachusetts cities a Ludwig concert would pack the house whenever advertised. In fact the company could have given an entire season between Boston and New York without visiting the smaller cities. Mr. Ludwig was a friend of the late Mr. Michael O'Brien, and upon coming to Lowell generally sang at St. Patrick's church. His appearance in Huntington hall quarter of a century ago was not his last appearance in Lowell for later I heard him sing in Associate hall, at a time when he was nearly blind, just before his retirement from the concert stage. When last heard from Ludwig was broken in health and supported by his friends of the Irish parliamentary party.

The Hognans—"Hands Up"
That organization of jolly souls known as the "Hognans" whose only purpose for existence was to have a good time came into existence just quarter of a century ago in Lowell. The club was organized in Lowell and was organized in Brockton and Boston. The old Sun announced the debut of the "Hognans" as follows:
"The Hognans (Hands Up) have rented rooms in the Elliott Block and have finally fitted them up. The officers elected are: President James H. Boyle; vice president, James H. Cudworth; financial secretary, Joshua Kershaw. Manning and Leighton furnished the rooms. The organization intends to have a merry winter season."

The annual ball of the Hognans was one of the events of the season for a number of years, attracting guests from other cities. It was purely a social organization with a limited membership which limit was filled from the start and the members and their friends surely had some fine times at the ball. The club was a sort of communion eventually for the members married and assumed family cares they had less time for club festivities, especially for those of the Hognans who believed in filling the night with music and in introducing the cares of the following day in melodious manner.

And Gately Declined
John A. Gately who was nominated by the democrats for sheriff quarter of a century ago after Peter A. Fay had frustrated a plan to have the democratic nomination for sheriff. Gately, the republican candidate, subsequently declined the nomination in a letter to the old Sun.

A Red Hot Campaign
Harking back quarter of a century, I find that the liveliest political campaign in history took place in 1892, the memorable campaign of Grover Cleveland for president and Hon. Moses T. Stevens for congress in the "Fifteenth" congressional district with William S. Knox as his republican opponent. Neither candidate spared any expense while the national committees of both parties were free with their money, and everybody had a campaign club of his own even to "Sam" Barnard, who was the democratic candidate for the legislature in old ward two, Centralville, where a democrat didn't have a look-in. "Sam's" campaign club, however, consisted of 75 men and they appeared on parade in the great torchlight processions, every man a soldier. There were also the "Stevens and Brady" cadets from the Platts, the Jefferson Guards from the Acres, the Belles of Lowell and other campaign companies all togged out in gorgeous uniform. Ah! "They" were magnificent to behold! The old Sun in large black face type announced to its readers that they could get registered whether they had paid their poll tax bills or not and urged all to register and the republican papers urged their readers likewise. There were rallies in Huntington hall nearly every night, even the prohibitionists getting up sufficient courage to engage the hall for a couple of rallies, while ward rallies were common things. Those were the happy days!

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SHORTAGE OF CHEMICALS DUE TO THE WAR

Special to The Sun
By HARPER LEECH
WASHINGTON, Oct. 20.—The American export council's prohibition of the export of a long list of crude chemicals indicates more clearly than anything else the war's tremendous strain on the industrial structure of the world.
The mere list gives a bird's eye view of the chemical base of industry.
The most important fact is the shortage of sulphuric acid—master substance of industrial chemistry. Hardly anything man eats, wears or uses for tool or transport is produced without its direct or indirect use. But war demands it quite as much. In the manufacture of weapons and munitions it is devoured by the millions of tons. Eight million tons will be required in America the coming year.
That must be built to make three million more tons. Hence, none may be exported.
Here are a few of the chemicals, the export of which is now forbidden, with their principal war and peace uses:
Caustic soda—manufacture of soap and glycerine—glycerine used for explosives.
Acetone—made from alcohol or distillation of hardwoods—used as a dissolving fluid in manufacture of explosives.
Ammonium salts and nitrates—used as fertilizers and as base for many other chemicals—by-products of gas manufacture and by-product coke ovens.
Anhydrous ammonia—absolutely necessary for operating all ice making machinery and refrigerating plants—very scarce now.
Arsenate of lead and arsenate of soda—used to kill insects on crops. All arsenic products are very scarce.
Castor oil—used to lubricate airplane machinery—made from castor beans cultivated principally in East Asia, but now being grown in United States in increasing quantities.
Phenol-carbolic acid—almost as important as sulphuric acid—base of dyes and all the nitric acid explosives—made from distillation of coal in by-product coke ovens and special plants.
Cyanide of potassium and cyanide of sodium—used in extracting metals from ores and refuse.
Mercury salts—used as medicines, such as calomel, and antiseptics such as bichloride of mercury, also greatly demanded by war as the base of shell fuses, cartridge caps and all kinds of explosives.
Sodium nitrate and nitric acid—enters into most chemical manufacturing operations—nitric acid is required for nearly all explosives.

en has done nothing to be ashamed of as yet.

That Lowell will probably be represented in a real baseball league next summer.

That Lowell's educational system is once more swinging along in perfect order.

That the high school debate furnished a lot of interest because of its timeliness.

That there was a lot of money won—and lost—in Lowell as a result of the big series.

That the war tax will soon be felt throughout this broad land of ours—and in Lowell.

That the former home of the superintendent of the water works has finally been sold.

That the Littleton detour is not making a hit with Lowell autoists on the way to Ayer.

That the no-license people are confident that Lowell will be in the dry column next year.

That it was a very pleasant gathering that took place at Club Lafayette Thursday evening.

That the University Extension courses are getting into their stride for another season.

That you'd better get busy if you want to do your share in the Liberty bond campaign.

That the recital of the Middlesex Women's Club Monday afternoon was a very enjoyable affair.

That the local police court continues to look interesting snatches from the drama of life.

That rare is the man who is doubly appreciative—able to see the good and bad sides of everything.

That potatoes are now selling at 60 cents a peck. What will they sell for in a couple of months?

That everything points to one of the most successful bowling seasons in the history of the city.

That the centralization of the various phases of war work in Merrimack street is a good idea.

That the high school regiment will round into shape quickly now that the officers have been appointed.

That the Knights of Columbus are doing their share to comfort the soldiers—bodily and spiritually.

That the contract for the plastering of the addition to the Bartlett school has not yet been given out by the municipal council.

That Brance will soon begin to know that there is such a place as Lowell if the present influx of our young men continues.

That the Lowell firemen will soon follow the example given them by their brethren of Lynn and will knit sweaters for the soldiers.

That there is no penalty too severe for the man who drives his automobile away without leaving his name and residence after injuring a person.

That a number of large subscriptions to the Liberty loan in Lowell this week helped to swell the total, but there is still room for late comers.

That the high school football elev-

That the army and navy are still looking for men—the war has only begun.

That Maj.-Gen. Hodges and Mayor O'Donnell agree on the provost guard matter.

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=BUILDING PERMITS FOR THE WEEK=

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Moderate use of them will not be followed by noticeable ill effects but nervousness and disturbance of the digestive system are certain to follow the excessive use of either or both.

It is estimated that 20,000 women have been employed in the Wall street district of New York since the beginning of the war.

NEWS OF THE FILM WORLD

STAGE AND MOVIE GOSSIP

OTHER THEATRICAL NEWS



ROY WALLING

Who Will Appear in One of His Best Parts in "The Man Who Stayed at Home," at the Opera House Next Week

SUNDAY CONCERT AT OPERA HOUSE

"MAN WHO STAYED AT HOME"

WEEK'S ATTRACTION

Five big acts of refined vaudeville and five big reels of photoplays will make up the bill for the Sunday concert at the Opera House. Patrons generally will recall the splendid programs given last year, including some of the highest priced and best artists on the vaudeville stage, and will again learn with the same anticipations of pleasure that the coming winter series of Sunday concerts will be many degrees above anything before attempted. The Stine-Emerson company will appear at the Opera House, and will be giving the value of the bill, and their efforts will surely result in giving the theatregoers the best value for the money to be had in New England. The concert will be at 2:15 p. m. and 7:30 p. m. and the prices will be 10, 15 and 25 cents. Remember what you get for the nominal prices charged: Five big vaudeville acts and five reels of superior motion pictures.

"The Man Who Stayed at Home," a play in three acts by J. E. Harold Terry and Lechmere Werrall, will be the attraction by the newly organized Emerson Players, commencing with Matinee on Monday. Little need be said on the worth of this wonderfully successful drama for it has advertised itself in no uncertain manner, especially to New Englanders. The local presentation will be one of the first in stock, thanks to the efforts of the management and the payment of an extra large royalty. An evidence of its success is reflected in the fact that when the piece was originally produced in Boston last winter it was scheduled for a one-week series. So popular did it become that a month's engagement was arranged and even that did not satisfy the demands of the theatregoers of the Hub and surrounding cities and towns. It continued on and is still playing. More than six months has it played to capacity audiences, afternoon and night at the Conley theatre in Boston, and from present indications, will continue to fill out the winter's engagement. Local playgoers should consider themselves very fortunate in being able to witness the Lowell production at popular prices in view of the fact that prices at a month's moment would pay big prices, plus car fare, when the same thing can be enjoyed here for the nominal prices charged at the Opera House.

The piece tells a wonderfully interesting story concerning a young man who stays at home during the war times. He is made to appear in a very bad light, but he justifies his actions after the concluding curtain and shows that he is not deserving of the unjust criticism that is hurled at him from all quarters by his friends and relatives. You will find in the action and vigor that goes in the making of a high class drama in "The Man Who Stayed at Home." The entire cast will be seen to advantage in the piece, especially Roy Walling. The first performance Monday afternoon will be as smooth as any of the week-end presentations. No advance in prices.

A GREAT CHILD ACTOR AT THE ROYAL THEATRE FOR SUNDAY CONCERT

The feature at the Royal Theatre Sunday is "Twin Kiddies," another picture starring the little girl with the big drawing power, Baby Marie Osborne. There is no star today who appears.

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"THE MAN WITHOUT A COUNTRY"

COMING TO THE STRAND THEATRE

"Damn the United States"—I wish I may never hear of the United States!"

John Alton, a conscientious pacifist, utters this curse at a time when he is angered by the scorn of his patriotic friends, and detected by the loss of his sweetheart, Barbara Norton, who considers him a shirker. He is induced to read Edward Everett Hale's famous story, "The Man Without a Country," and the incidents seem to him like a replica of his own life in a previous existence. As Lieutenant Philip Nolan, U. S. A., he sees himself on trial for the identical crime against the United States, uttered by himself, then condemned to pass the rest of his life as an unshackled prisoner on board a warship without ever hearing of the country to which he belonged; and eventually dying in his cabin with a benediction for the flag of the United States.

The visualization of the story quickens in John Alton the dormant sense of responsibility to his country, and he becomes a recruit at Fort Slocum. Meanwhile Barbara has been a Red Cross nurse in France. The ship on which she is returning to America is attacked by an enemy submarine, and the wreck floating in mid-ocean presents a triumph to film realism. Whether Barbara was saved from the wreck to resume the interrupted romance with her former lover is fully revealed in the final reel. Apart from its stirring patriotic spirit the picture offers seven reels of engrossing entertainment.

PARAMOUNT PRODUCTIONS

The first direct results of the numerous mergers and new releasing arrangements which occurred in the motion picture industry a few months ago are just beginning to bear fruit in the current releases of Paramount. The first of the Thomas H. Luce dramas has now been announced by Paramount; the first of the Mack Sennett comedies is now being placed before the public; and definite arrangements have been made for the releasing of the first of the J. Stuart Blackton

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FINE PROGRAM FOR THE STRAND SUNDAY CONCERT—WEEK'S ATTRACTIONS

The Sunday concert at The Strand will again be characterized by contributors who are rightly classed among the superior entertainers of the vaudeville and concert stage. Managing Director Carroll is in a position to secure the very best that the stage has to offer in the way of high-class entertainers and he gives the assurance that only the best will be included in bills to be provided weekly at Lowell's largest and handsomest playhouse. The bill for Sunday will include Fred Ferdinand, vaudeville virtuoso; American Beatrice, in songs, talking and musical numbers; Francello, accordionist, extraordinary and singer; The Weber male quartet, presented by Mr. A. G. Prescott; and the usual new musical comedy by the Strand Symphony orchestra and an organ recital by Conductor Martel. In addition to these there will be the following excellent photo-plays: "One Touch of Nature," a Kleins release featuring Jack McGraw; a comedy entitled "Don't Lose Your Coat"; Mutt and Jeff in their latest "Cranks"; and others. Was there ever a better Sunday bill offered to a local public? The performances run from 2:30 o'clock until 11 p. m.

"Panthea," a Seznick-Production release, introducing the popular young star, Virginia Davis, is a screen version of the noted drama "Panthea," by Monckton Hoffo, and will be the feature photo-play for the first three days of the week, beginning with matinee on Monday. In this production Miss Talmadge plays the role made famous by Mme. Olga Petrova, a role that gives the young American star the best chance of her career to make the most of her emotional powers. Judging from New York press reports Miss Talmadge has surprised even her most ardent admirers in this piece. She should please local audiences.

The added attraction will be "Dond of Fear," a Triangle creation, with Belle Bennett and Roy Stewart in the stellar roles. This film has all of the action and snap that goes in the making of a really enjoyable picture play. While the story is a most absorbing one, The Strand Revue of current events will include the usual series of interesting views, and the educational feature is entitled "From Studio to Screen." This should prove interesting to Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Drew will appear in their latest, and by far their best comedy, "The Denial." Conductor Martel will respond to the general demand and play "Poor Butterfly" for his organ recital. The selections for the pictures and opening overture will be of the same high order of the past.

"Chiquita," the smallest, handsomest and most perfectly formed "little lady" in the world will be the special feature apart from the pictures. "Chiquita" sings exceedingly well, charms exquisitely and wears the most charming and costly gowns seen on the stage. She is the very latest Paris creation. She will hold receptions in the lobby immediately after each afternoon performance. Come and meet her. She is most interesting. Hear her sing the latest song numbers.

For the last five days of the week Miss Ethel Barrymore in "The Lifted Veil" will be the feature picture, and others will include "The Devil Dodger." The dialogue will be a trip around the world with views of famous places in stone comedy. "A Shaghailed Jonah," with Billy Armstrong as the chief fun-maker. The Strand Revue of current events will add to the value of the week-end bill and the changes that make the program an interesting offering will be greatly enjoyed by all.

JACK PICKFORD AND LOUISE HUFF IN "THE GHOST HOUSE" AT THE MERRIMACK SQUARE

Among the many pleasing features which make up the coming Sunday concert at the Merrimack Square theatre is the intense society drama, "The Hero of the Hour," shown in five elaborate acts. In the role of Brooks, a leader of the snail suit, is Jack Mulhall, who is a superior. The action of the play is swift, the plot light and ideal for Sunday entertainment, and the settings superb. The interest is well sustained throughout, and the entire play is with happy that they are this pleasing feature and the other enjoyable selections on the Sunday program.

Jack Pickford and Louise Huff will come into the limelight at the Merrimack Square theatre on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, when they appear in the supporting youth play, "The Ghost House." The play opens with the death of a relative, who leaves them a house which is supposed to be haunted. Of necessity the young people there and experience the presence of the ghosts. The situations are made fascinating by the fact that the house is the rendezvous of robbers and further by the fact that a college initiation takes place there also. How each one unwittingly deceives the other and how the robbers are captured and killed is cleared out forms the interesting feature of this play. The balancing five-act feature of the week is "A Mormon Maid." In the leading character of which appears the winsome Mae Murray. The play is an accurate and truthful narrative of Mormon life in early Utah, and the scenes have been taken in the country in which the incidents occur. The furious rides of the "Angels," the messengers of death and destruction, and the brutal activities of the "Council" form the basis of this interesting story which will never be forgotten. A comedy and other material will also be presented at the Merrimack Square theatre on the first three days of the week. Coming on the last three days is the famous Madame Petrova in the leading role of her gripping play, "Exile," and Ethel Clayton in "The Dormant Power." This latter is the story of an American youth who shot a Mexican for love and offers "Old Glory." It will thrill every American heart.

PATRIOTIC PICTURE A FEATURE OF THE OWL SUNDAY CONCERTS

"Guarding Old Glory" is the title of the spectacular patriotic feature which will be presented at the Owl theatre Sunday afternoon and evening. This play which will appeal to every patriotic heart, is a story of a young man who is in full of action and thrilling scenes. It shows where officers and men for our garbisons and fleets come from; how they are trained; how bombs are dropped from the sky; their terrible force; how intense are the battles; what the flash of a broadside from our dreadnaughts looks like; the blit of steel and the sweep and dash of soldiering. All there are brought



Jane Cowl in "The Spreading Dawn" Goldwyn Pictures.

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MOVIE FILMS AS NEW WAR WEAPONS

before your eyes in rapid succession. The drama also presents an indication of our preparedness in this mighty European war. It is a play which no American man or woman can afford to miss. Many other attractions are embodied in the big patriotic Sunday concert at the Owl theatre.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday charming Mary Miles Minter, "The Crown Princess" of the screen will be seen as a mountain maid in her feature release, "Molissa of the Hills." She is more delightful than ever in her eyecatching skirt and soft felt hat among the rough hill folk. She is the daughter of the country. Co-starring with Miss Minter on the same days at the Owl theatre is Miss Julia Sanderson in "The Runaway," a Charles Frohman. This is a six-part comedy drama based upon the experiences in the New York art quarter of a girl who wanted what she wanted when she wanted it, and got it. Showing also on the same bill are many other plays among which is a very funny comedy.

The last three days of the week are gala days at the Owl theatre by reason of the Dustin Farnum feature, "Durand of the Bad Lands," a stirring western drama and another spectacular feature which was made in France and is the truest portrayal of the human emotions ever presented on the screen. This play is worth watching and waiting for. It will be shown at the Owl on the last three days of the week. In "Durand of the Bad Lands" Mr. Farnum is an outlaw for whom a reward is offered. He shows his big heart and noble character. It is the most intense play ever to be shown in Lowell. On Wednesday and Thursday an added extra feature will be the showing of the ninth episode of "The Fatal Ring."

PLEASED ATTRACTIONS TO BE GIVEN AT THE JEWEL THEATRE

For Sunday's showing, Marguerite Clark is offered in "Still Waters," a novel story of circus and rural life, by Edith Barron Delano. The daily by Marguerite renders an effective characterization of her entire motion picture career. Beginning as a quaint comedy with a very delightful romance, the story gradually develops into a thrilling drama, which reaches a tremendous climactic denouement. In the role of the novel, the girl impersonated by Miss Clark from a burly circus ring-master who has trapped her in a deserted canal boat, whither she has fled to escape his objectionable attentions. "Still Waters," with its beautiful rural vistas, the novel of the novel atmosphere, the production of an entire film and its amusing comedy and unusual dramatic strength, enables Miss Clark to display in a measure hitherto unsuspected her versatility and bewitching powers.

Besides this feature, the Universal "The Call of the Unborn," a splendid drama, will complete the program. Monday and Tuesday, William Fox, will as usual furnish another strong photo-drama to the Jewel program. This time it's Gladys Brockwell who is to be starred in "For Redemption," a play of emotion, which tells a convincing story, superbly directed and wonderfully acted by a great cast of favorites. An A-Go Comedy and other fine pictures, including a three-reel offering called "The Ninth Day," will also be shown.

"Pride and the Man," is beyond doubt the best "atmosphere" drama handed down from the past. It is a story of a handsome William since he took form and effect in the motion pictures. The big athletic star is essentially an action man. He wants something with a punch in it to arouse his enthusiasm. "The Call of the Unborn" is Bill Russell's corker punch to the "bells." Russell invented the punch himself.

When Mr. Russell wanted a play that would please the world in action he wrote one himself—"Pride and the Man," which will be shown on Wednesday and Thursday only at the Jewel.

MEMBER OF FAMOUS FAMILY

Ethel Barrymore, the star superb of many Metro wonderplays, excellently a screen artist. As the whole world knows, she was one of the great stage favorites, before she acted before the camera. All her work in the latter field has been done for Metro. In addition to "The Lifted Veil," a screen version of Basil King's popular novel in which Miss Barrymore stars as Florida Gilderleeve, she has appeared in "The White Raven," "The Greatest Power," "The Call of Her People," "The Awakening of Helena Ritchie" and many others.

Miss Barrymore comes of a famous theatrical family. Her father was Maurice Barrymore, a celebrated actor, and her mother was Georgie Drew Barrymore. She is the niece of John Drew and Sidney Drew, and her mother was a John Barrymore and Lionel Barrymore.

Next to men and munitions, common, everyday movie pictures are a most influential factor in winning the war for France.

While the Frenchman and his gun are killing off the Germans at the front, the French government is using the movies to keep up the pep and morale of the civilian population.

The other evening, in a large movie house in Paris, I witnessed the unusual sight of the entire audience arising en masse and in a frenzy of emotion shouting "Kill the cattle!" by "cattle" meaning the Germans.

Young French officer with me turned and said:

"After this demonstration can anyone doubt that France will stick to the finish in this war?"

On the screen had been thrown an official government movie showing the ruthlessness of the Germans in destroying French cathedrals and works of art in the war zone.

Not content with merely destroying a church, the Huns had mutilated, evidently with axes and sledgeshammers, a statue of the Savior, chopping off an arm and a leg.

The village in which this sacrilege had been committed had no sooner been retaken by the French than official movie photographers got busy; and now, in every city and hamlet in France pictures are showing the exact extent of ravages.

The French government, early in the war, found that printed publicity concerning the doings of the army was not sufficient to keep up to a high pitch the interest and enthusiasm of "the folks" back home.

The resort to movies brought instantaneous results. The population was able to see for itself every important movement on the front. And now, they flock by the millions to the movies where, at least once a week, the government puts on its "official" pictures.

"There's no getting away from the fact that you have to believe the movies," said the French lieutenant again. "Just now we're overlooking no opportunities to convince the French people that the Germans have lost the fighting spirit, are badly fed and poorly clothed—in a word that they are whipped."

Practically every big news story printed in the French newspapers is supplemented by moving pictures. The other day stories were printed of hundreds of German soldiers quitting color by their trenches and surrendering to the French after practically no resistance.

This might sound "fishy" if the movies didn't come along and show the German prisoners being marched to the rear of the French lines. The thin and gaunt looking, hungry and sleepless nights. But as they marched they were almost gay with smiles and laughter, as if to say to their French captors: "We're mighty glad we're alive and don't have to fight any more."

The government has a veritable army of movie photographers. They swarm everywhere. Nothing of historical importance escapes them. President Poincare visited the American troops recently and everything he did was "caught" by the French camera. Photographs lighting from the train at American headquarters and shaking hands with "Le General" Pershing; reviewing the American troops; kissing a French general on both cheeks, and finally waving goodbye from the train to Paris.

After being first shown to the French people, all these movies are indexed and filed away for future generations to look at.

If the American government doesn't follow the French example it will be making a serious mistake. It is encouraging to note that a beginning has already been made and that a special photographic bureau has been established. A movie photographer is attached to the American army, but as yet his activities are somewhat limited by those of the French movie men.

THE STRAND THEATRE

A special musical program will accompany the entire run here of the six-act Jewel feature "Sons of the Sea," which has its premier at the Strand theatre, shortly, with Louisa Lovell, Jack Mulhall and Carmel Myers and a cast of one thousand persons. Grace Helen Bailey wrote the story, scenarized by Allen Holubar.

received with open arms by English society.

The star played in Sir Henry Irving's company where she made a tremendous impression in "Peter the Great." Charles Frohman, appreciative of her great gifts made her a star. Miss Barrymore has appeared in "The A Doll's House," "Allegiance," "The Fire," by Barrie, which he wrote originally for Ellen Terry, "The Silver Box," by John Galsworthy, "The Mother-in-Law," "Cordelia" and "The Merry Wives of Windsor." At the Strand.

FOR WOMAN AND THE HOME HINTS FOR THE HOUSEHOLD LATEST FASHION NOTES FEMININE FANCIES

A STREET DRESS OF DISTINCTION

A becoming street dress is this gown of jersey cloth in dark brown, with its trimming of soft, dark fur. Although the whole costume keeps to the slender lines demanded by the season and the bodice is really tight-fitting, the skirt boasts a side panel which loops



gracefully near the hem to show a white satin facing.

A rather broad front panel ends even with the side drapings, and is bordered with the fur.

The close fit of the bodice is achieved by deep darts taken at each side front and headed with a small embroidered tri-color.

Rudolph Sanders of Fontana, Penn., aged 40, has obtained a hunter's license in Lebanon county.

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THE DAY OF THE MANTEAU HAS COME—LONG ENVELOPING COAT OF VELVET AND FUR IS AS FASCINATING AS IT IS WARM ON A WINTRY DAY



The most characteristic note of the winter fashions is the tremendous vogue for the long, enveloping coat of velvet or fur—preferably both—which the French call by the pretty name "Manteau."

All Paris—all feminine Paris—takes the air attired in these fascinating manteaus.

The materials for heavy coats are almost universally velvet, velours, or divetyn, a supple material with all the fabric charms of velvet and the grateful warmth of wool. In line the manteau of the season is still straight;

and severe, but the waistline is often more decided than in dresses, and the broad belts are good. Almost every coat is trimmed with fur, sometimes so heavily as almost to conceal the coat material itself, except when the collar is upturned, when the shoulders covered with the velvet or broadcloth are revealed.

The chosen colors are old Bordeaux, a rich wine shade, gray, taupe and a fine shade of brick red which is most effective with trimmings of brown or gray fur.

The three coats shown in the pic-

ture have the best style points of the vogue. The first (at left) is an exceptionally clever management of very heavy materials. The coat itself is of black velvet, with the collar and cuffs, both broad and heavy, of fox. The belt, broad at the back and narrowing to the front, with the velvet buttons of remarkably large size, is well suited to the outlines of the garment.

The coat shown in the middle is charming for the slender young debutante. It is constructed of velvet,

in hunter's green, and is rather elaborately embroidered in soft grey wool. In a conventional, well-balanced design. The fur trimming of Australian opossum is in pleasing contrast to the dark richness of the coat.

The third coat is designed for afternoon parties and is quite elaborate enough to do service for evening affairs also. Here, dark blue velvet, of lighter weight than velours, is used with a generous hand, and a very liberal amount of kolinsky fur outlines the rippling cape and collar.

LADY LOOKABOUT

With the stress of war placing so much and such vital work already in the hands of women. I am at a loss to understand the spirit which prompts a group of women to organize and become a military body. As someone has aptly stated: "The manpower of the country moves to the front and the woman-power of the country closes up back of the men, pressing through all the lines of industry, trade, and transportation. There is work for all and all must help." It seems a bit unkind to think these women are impelled by aught than patriotism, yet with 10,000,000 men already at the call of the country, willing, anxious to serve, military organizing on the part of a few women seems at least misplaced energy.

The Limited Stop Cars

Like many, another excellent plan which works like a charm in theory but which fails miserably in operation, is the institution known as the Limited Stop car. At almost any

hour of the day you may find a car bearing this legend, standing on the Lawrence street turnout, when by all the laws of right it should be speeding out Gorham street toward Boston. Many of these cars come into the square but when passengers attempt to board them, they are informed that the cars are not going. A few days ago, a crowd of would-be passengers approached one of these cars only to be told by the motorman that the car was not going. A man who had been waiting fifteen minutes for a Billerica car remarked to the conductor: "You are a busy chauffeur, and resumed his waiting on the curb-line. The Gorham street service is better than it ever has been, but the

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4. Ventilation and light in kitchen; Position of windows; position of sink; position of range; wall surface and floor covering.
5. Things to buy: Selection of kitchen utensils; height of chairs and all working surfaces; silverware.

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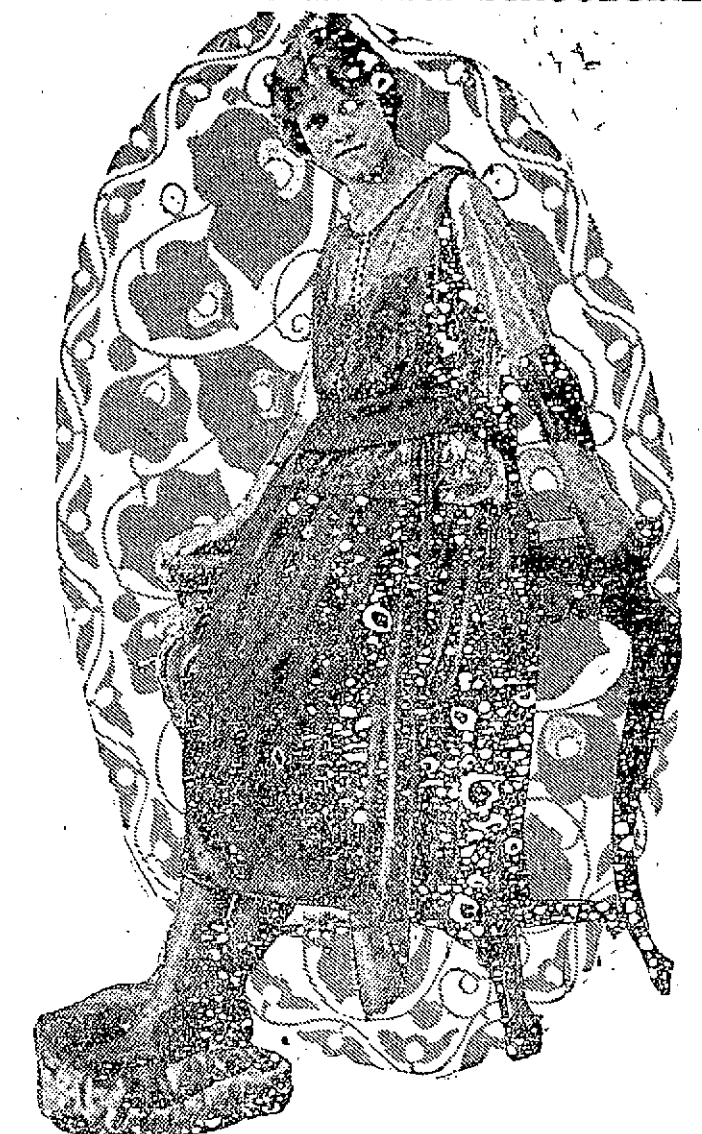
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The whole overdress of crepe is outlined with a narrow band of ermine beads, and the color effect is bright and youthful.

solder in khaki. He was fully six feet tall and broad accordingly.

"Oh, dear!" she cried out to her companion, "what if a big soldier like that gets my sweater!" And she held up a garment a fourteen-year-old boy would find a close fit.

I wonder if all of the knitting we see about us, done with such pains and at such a cost of time and patience, can be used? I have seen some dreadful socks, yet it is a labor of love and it is a poor soldier who criticizes, even if he cannot get more than one toe in where his entire foot should go.

LADY LOOKABOUT.

Miss Stella Nordloh, a teacher in Vernon township, Ind., has four sets of twins among her pupils. They are: Eddie and Emma Wetzel, Warren and William Morehead, Magdalene and Madeline Meyers and Ernest and Edward Dahl.

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MANTLE IS NEWEST FUR COAT

A PEACH FOR A SOLDIER



How to make a cape that is a coat seems to have been the goal this designer set for himself, and attained so successfully in the fur mantle shown here. The garment is a cape in reality, but it is so shaped that it seems to fall into broad sleeves, and the heavy collar of long fur, with the fur sash, completes the coat illusion. In the mantle we discover the possibilities of adorning fur. The combination of two furs, such as seal and skunk, as in this model, is one way to attain this effect, and the application of heavy braid and chenille ornaments is another.



The photograph shows how war comes home to the sheltered orchards of the "snug little isle" that is the nerve center of the British empire. Here is a girl war worker, picking in an orchard near Hounslow fruit which eventually will go to the troops at the front.

loosely that it may be worn over the dress as an apron, or it may take the place of a dress. It is easily laundered. So Mrs. Housekeeper, to show that you take pride in being one of the soldiers in the army of food administrators, get your uniform now. Wear it in the kitchen as a daily reminder

WHITE VELVET MAKES RICH EVENING GOWN

Velvets, soft, silky chiffon velvets, are tremendous favorites for evening wear even with debutantes, and this handsome gown of white velvet goes



far to explain their popularity. The skirt is full and plain, its only concession to fashion being the softly-looped bustle of material at the back. The bodice is draped in a becoming surplice, and outlined with a cord.

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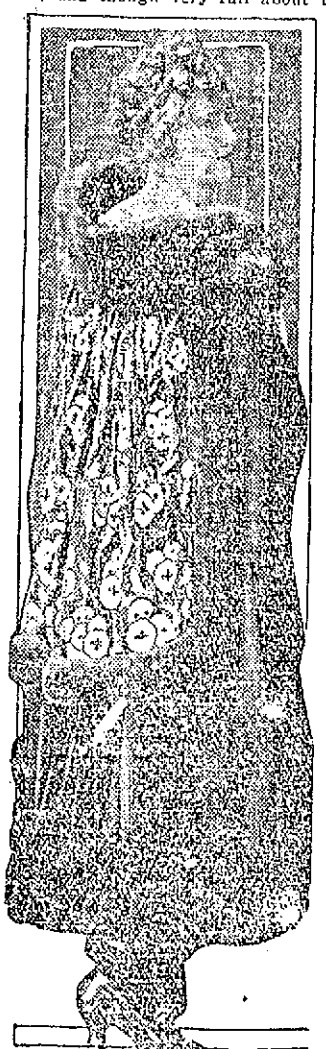
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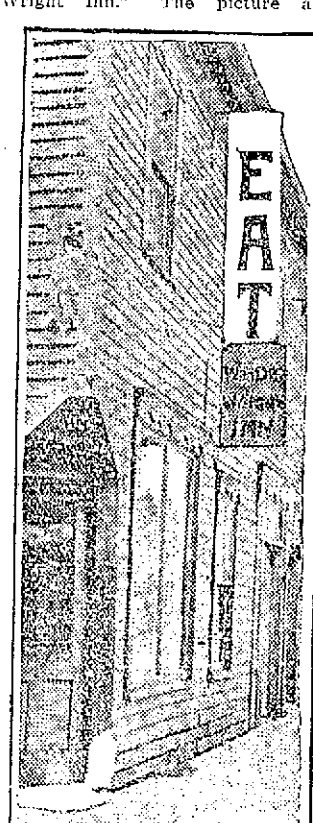
This unusual coat is of black chiffon, made on a foundation of white satin, and though very full about the



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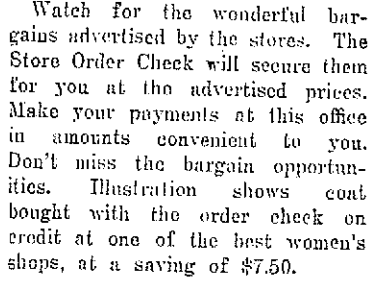
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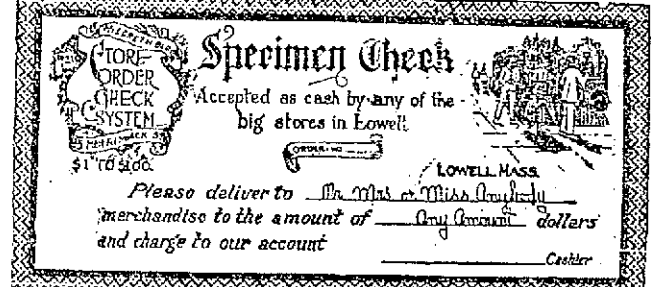
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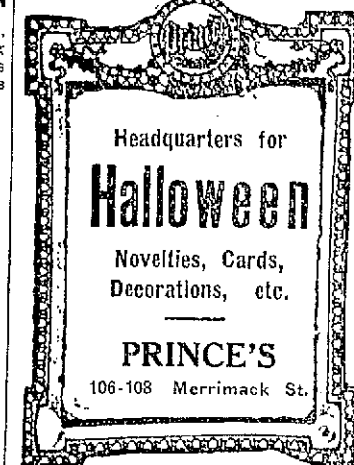
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ly not sick. One must have surplus health and energy.
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Rooms without independent ventilation are handiaps to health. Such a room never gets enough fresh air.
The old-fashioned alcove room is a device of the needless for the use of the thoughtless.
The house not only must make good health possible, but it must also bear its share in bringing into existence great improvements in the living habits in the home.
A house must have an adequate supply of sanitary equipment.
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SUN JINGLE CONTEST PAGE

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Send in as many Four-line Jingles as you choose for each Saturday from now to Nov. 10th. THE SUN will pay 50c each for the best Jingles sent to take the place of these next Saturday. You can compete for one firm or all with as many Jingles as you wish to send. Write only ONE FOUR LINE Jingle on a sheet. Put the letter, emblem or name of the firm in the upper left-hand corner. Sign an assumed name or initials. Put your real name and address on a separate sheet. Use the same name or initials during the contest. Study the Firms' Advertisements. Write a Jingle with rhythm advertising the Merchant. These Jingles will be handed to the Merchants for whom they are written. The one he considers the best will be published with the name or initials used by the winner in the place of the one now in. In this way the Jingles will be changed weekly. Write only for the firms advertising below. Remember—only ONE Jingle on a sheet. Checks will be mailed the winners the week following publication. Jingles must be at THE SUN Office by the First Mail on each Wednesday morning. Read these Jingles—Get the idea—Write some each week. ADDRESS, JENNY WREN.

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—A. E. N.

I love to jingle for Saunders,
I find it easy to rhyme,
For here you'll get goods and prices
To make the jingle sound fine.
—Katy Ditts.

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If he went up through Gorham street with that helmet on his back.
He'd think it was an army coming to take his life away
If he saw that crowd of people going to Saunders' on bargain day.
—J. P. C.

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—Iona

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And the Christmas pines are whispering of the merry holiday;
Then buy your gifts at Maker's to furnish up the trees,
You'll find the firm quite courteous, and they surely aim to please.
—Alpha

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BOXING GOSSIP

WORLD'S SERIES BONE PLAYS

NOT SINCE THE DAYS OF ASA BRAINARD HAS BASEBALL SEEN ANYTHING TO EQUAL THIS TEAM



When Wallie Schang, Athletic catcher, appeared in a ball game early last spring wearing a small moustache of the misplaced eye-brow variety, players on other clubs began to yell "trick" and declared Wallie was trying to disguise himself so the pitchers wouldn't know what to pitch to him.

Wonder what these same players would say if they happened to run into a team like that of the House of David at Benton Harbor, Mich.

Camouflaged behind long beards and maiden-like tresses and led by their ruler, King Benjamin, the House of David ball team is the most unique in baseball today.

The barber trade is sadly neglected among members of the House of David, which has several advantages.

The House of David baseball team. The gents sporting the foliage in the second row are King Benjamin and Prince Joshua, catcher and shortstop, as well as being leaders of the Benton Harbor sect.

They never have to listen to the barber's ideas on how the war should be conducted nor try to evade his subtle advances regarding singes, massages, tonic air, and the rest of it.

The first requisite of a House of David devotee is a mass of foliage draped trellis-like over the face. They must never shave nor cut their hair.

But there is nothing in their religion to keep them from playing ball and accordingly, a few years ago, King Benjamin started a ball team which is the terror of semi-pro teams from Chicago and southwestern Michigan.

The "kink" himself is the catcher

and Prince Joshua plays short. Most of the other team members are prophets. To see Joshua, who is the champion batter of the team steal second with his beard and hair floating behind him and gathering up most of the excess dirt from the diamond when he slides into the base is truly an inspiring sight.

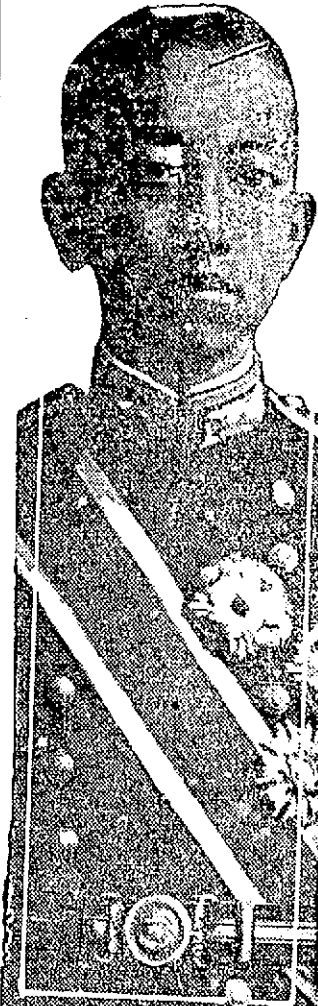
There are 700 members of the sect. They believe they are descended from the lost tribe of Israel. They came to America originally from Australia.

They have an excellent ball park at Benton Harbor and at every game the team is cheered on by the House of David band, composed entirely of women.

JAPAN'S CROWN PRINCE LEADS IN ATHLETICS

PEKING, Oct. 20.—The next emperor of Japan, now the Crown Prince Hirohito, will, when he succeeds to the throne, be more western than eastern.

He is a sturdy lad of over 16 years, who dresses after the western fashion.



and eats European style food twice a day.

In recent years he has appeared in public but once, at the time of the coronation ceremonies, when he wore the ancient costume of Japan.

He is busy perfecting his education under the charge of special tutors and has with him as fellow students five sons of noblemen. Three years ago he left the Peer's school.

His physical training is supervised by naval and military officers. He receives lectures on military and naval subjects from the greatest authorities in the realm, while he with his companions study for general training, Japanese and Chinese literature, French, history, composition, geography, algebra, natural history. He is just about to take up the study of physics, chemistry and English.

In class with his five boy friends, the crown prince is first in all subjects except two or three in which he is second.

Hirohito is above the average height and weight for a Japanese of his years, and while in the Peer's school took a number of third class medals for running.

He plays tennis and baseball but is not so good an athlete as either of his younger brothers, both of whom have first class medals for athletic work.

The third base line after the fleet-footed Collins is one of those exhibitions of Ivory which came up in a ball game when even the smartest players, playing at a high tension, lose their heads for an instant and pull a play that the veriest sandlotter would jeer at.

The greatest bone, prior to Zim's was when Merkle failed to touch second on Bridwell's hit in the last game of the series in 1903. Merkle started for the clubhouse believing the game was won when Sheppard recovered the ball, threw to Evers and the

SETTING FOR THE PUNCH—BENNY LEONARD'S SUCCESS DUE TO HIS ABILITY TO IMITATE GREAT OLD TIMERS



Benny Leonard has been lightweight champion for only a short while, yet there have been few if any champions whose ring activities have attracted the same amount of attention in the same space of time.

The answer is easy. It is because

Glants were declared out by Umpire O'Day, the winning run not counting. The game was played over and the Glants lost.

Merkle added to his fame as an Ivory merchant in the world series of 1912 by failing to go after a high foul which would have won the series for the Glants.

One of the famous honors of baseball was similar to Zim's. Ossie Schreckengost, a slow-footed Athletic catcher, a base runner clear around the bases without attempting to throw the ball. The runner scored and the Athletics lost the game.

It happened that the game was not of particular importance and Ossie did not get into the Zim and Merkle class. Another famous bone was pulled by John Anderson, who tried to steal second with the bases full. Red Faber duplicated this in the 1917 world series.

Leonard can hit, and wins most of his bouts by the simple and conclusive knocking-out method.

However, there is something back of Leonard's ability to do this, something which the old champions all mastered before they were considered fit to try

Harry Niles, one of the speed merchants of baseball, was so famous for his boned plays that he was finally driven into the minors in spite of his otherwise brilliant mechanical play.

Playing with Boston against Washington in 1909, Niles was at bat with two out, Boston one run behind and Danzig, a slow baserunner on first. He hit to second, ducked his head and didn't stop until he had reached third, disregarding the fact that Danzig had stopped at second.

Once with Cleveland Niles caught a fly ball when the bases were clogged with Boston baserunners. Only one man was out, but Niles disregarded the frenzied howls of the other players and the fans and started for the clubhouse. Three Boston runs scored.

"Hap" Myers, former Boston first baseman, once raced from first to

for championship honors.

The secret is in setting for the punch. Of all the present day fighters there are only two who know how to use this art cleverly enough for it to be an asset.

Leonard and Mike Gibbons, and Gibbons has avoided using it so much that with him it is only a negligible asset.

Gibbons has used it—his one-round knockout of Young Ahern proved that—but as a general rule Mike has been content to go in and box and let his opponents go the route while he won by the point system.

Leonard, however, is not of this type. Leonard fights his battles on the system used by the old school, the system of winning as decisively and quickly as possible, hence his dozen or so knockouts in the last year.

There is danger to the unaffiliated or awkward boxer who attempts to act himself for a punch, especially if he is facing a cleverer adversary. The clever man may take advantage of the momentary opening and put over a haymaker himself. That is why so many present day boxers do not set themselves before they hit and so many managers object to their meal tickets using this sure knockout method, when they can get the money just as well by safely sparring and dancing through a bout.

The old-timers with knockout records all set themselves before hitting. This was true with the little fellows as well as with the big ones. George Dixon had the trick, so had Aurelio Herrera, the hardest hitting lightweight that ever donned a glove. Lavigne, Walcott, Tommy Ryan and many others used it. That's the real reason for Leonard's success.

third on Melne Wagner's sacrifice with two out. Boston was playing New York and Hal Chase, playing first base, was so dumb-founded that he threw wild to Austin and Myers scored, Wagner reaching second.

Robert Mathew, a freight handler of Porterville, Calif., was arrested for beating his wife. He demanded a jury trial, but changed his mind and pleaded guilty when he found he was to be tried by women.

ROLLER SKATING and BOWLING

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MERRILY WE ROLL ALONG—TO KEEP UP WITH 'BUSINESS BETTER THAN USUAL'



CLEVELAND, O., Oct. 13.—"Business as usual" in Cleveland has put rollers under the city's boy powder to keep up with the heaping orders.

One leading department store, unable to get enough boys to handle the increasing orders in its stock room, laid in a supply of roller skates. A pair was attached to the feet of each boy and away they rolled!

"Gee fellows," one youngster shouted as he sailed across the floor, with arms loaded to the guards, "do we have to pay to work here?"

Trips that took five minutes are now over with in less than one. Boys can't saunter along dreaming of Diamond Back and kidding every person en route. The skates are as wings pinned to their ankles and speed is the result.

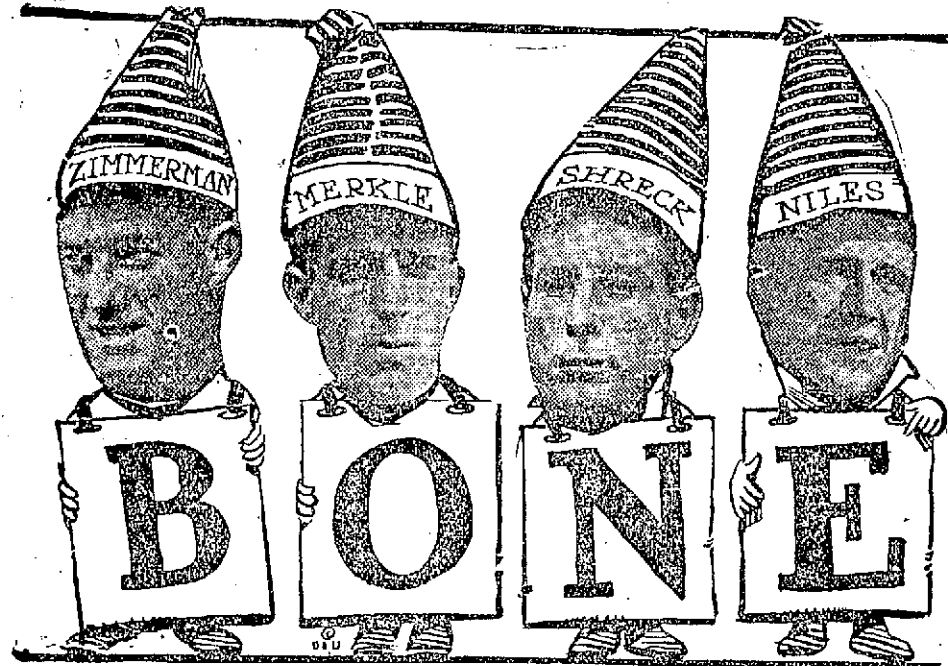
"During the summer it wasn't so bad," the foreman said. "Boys were out of school. Now many of them are going to school, some older ones enlisted, and all the while business is getting better than ever. We couldn't get enough boys, so we put the boys on rollers. Now they skoot around like bullets shot out of guns. One lad can take care of twice the stock he once did and not be half as tired at the end of the day."

Other Cleveland business houses are considering the roller skate as a necessary vehicle to keep up with their orders, and even Uncle Sam's postoffice may put employees in the mail sorting room on rollers.

Shaving was practiced in the new world before that art was discovered by Europeans, and the Mexican barbers shaved their customers with blades of volcanic glass, each place, as it lost its edge, being flung away and a new one applied.

A recent ordinance adopted in Buenos Aires prohibits street car conductors from taking fares from married women on rainy days.

IVORY PLAYS OF BASEBALL



Heine Zim's Play Holds the Candle, But There are Other Famous Bones

The phrase "he pulled a Merkle" may be dropped from baseball's classic parlance to make room for a brand new bit of slang by substituting the name of Zim for that of the former Giant first baseman.

Heine Zimmerman's name certainly deserves to go down in baseball history as the only man who ever approached Merkle's famous bonhead play.

Heine's famous 30-yard sprint down

There are tables with all kinds of games. There are pianophones and graphophones.

In addition in each camp there are two other buildings which are used exclusively for recreational purposes.

The secretary at each cantonment will try to organize the men for self-entertainment in the way of glee clubs, amateur theatrical companies, debating societies, etc.

These buildings are not restricted to members of the K. of C. The lodge feature is strictly eliminated. It is intended primarily for all Catholic soldiers, but men of other sects are also welcome.

Recreational facilities will be provided for our men in France. They will follow the flag. The buildings will not be as large as those at cantonments in this country, but there will be more of them.

Auxiliary chaplains, not supplied by the government, will be sent to France by the K. of C. so as to attend to the spiritual needs of Catholic soldiers.

Walter K. Kernan has just been named as the Knights of Columbus commissioner with the American Overseas army and is now on his way to France where he will establish his headquarters. He will decide just what is needed and will arrange for the erection of the buildings required in the war zone.

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AUTOMOBILE NOTES—TIRE TALK—GASOLINE GOSSIP—GENERAL NEWS OF THE "MACHINE" WORLD

WHAT AUTO IS DOING TO WIN THE WAR

I do not believe there is anything in all American industrial life, as tragic as the tendency on the part of the public to regard the automobile as a pleasure vehicle. You can reason from a positive and unmistakable hypothesis to the logical conclusion that if it were not for the automobile industry of America, America, under three years, could probably not become an effective factor in the world war. With the help of aircraft, manufactured by its automobile industry, America, within a year, will be the one great deciding factor which shall bring the Kaiser to his knees—where all else has failed. And still they go on calling the automobile a pleasure vehicle, and the automobile industry, as catalogued in the minds of a great many people—as an industry made up of commercial gamblers and plungers. In all the history of American commerce, there has never been a group of men who have fought the battles of America, both commercially and patriotically, with more zeal and unselfishness than have the automobile men of America. When there were troops to transport, the American automobile has been ready to transport them. When there were troops to feed, American trucks were ready. When there have been wounded to carry from No Man's Land back to the emergency hospital and from the emergency hospital to the base hospital and from the base hospital to the transport, American automobiles were ready. And now, when the greatest crisis in all history arises, when the one cry of a stricken world is for aircraft and for more aircraft, the American automobile industry is ready to produce these aircraft and will produce them in such quantities that the arch enemy of us all will be utterly smothered and blinded to a point where he will become inefficient and impotent. When this is accomplished, the world war will be over, and I do not hesitate for one moment in making the bold statement that the American automobile industry, at this moment, stands to shorten the duration of this war by at least twelve months—in all probability by twenty-four to thirty-six months. When you stop to figure what every day of perpetuation accorded to this war means—not only to the loss of money, but in the loss of human life—when you stop to consider that the American automobile industry's production of aircraft stands to exert a tremendous influence in the shortening of the war, the application of the words "pleasure vehicle" to the American built motor car is little short of sacrilege.

AUTOS NOW IN DEMAND ALL YEAR ROUND—NO "HIP VAN WINKLE" IN WINTER

Five years ago autumn brought not only curling up and dying of leaves, but figuratively speaking, a similar operation on the part of the automobile dealer. The automobile business was then a seasonal one—from April to October the profits were made, and from October to April they were spent. Excepting for the mid-winter shows there was so little doing that every salesman did a "Rip Van Winkle" until spring. The magic that brought a change was in the veering of public taste toward the closed car. People began to learn that while motoring in summer has manifold benefits, winter brings out some strong reasons for the use of a car. This change of viewpoint stimulated the production and consequently lowered the price of sedans and coupes. Then came the so-called convertible car—the kind with removable sides and panels. This innovation caught on so strongly that many people now drive this type the entire year. The various cars have the same objective expressed in the many models now seen in the show rooms and on the road. The automobile has now been brought to the full fruition of its destiny—its presence among the greatest of utilities.

HELPFUL HINTS

Watch the ammeter on the dash as it puts you in close touch with the whole system. Find out what each set of lamps uses in the way of current, and you have a basis for your observations. If ammeter needle shows more discharge than the lamps usually require, there is a short-circuit on some lamp wire. Find it immediately as it may ruin the wires or battery, or may even set the car on fire. If ammeter shows nothing when car is running at 15 to 20 miles per hour, it shows that generator is not delivering current; automatic cut-out not working, or that ammeter is defective. If ammeter shows more than the usual charging rate, when engine is running at normal speed, it shows that the voltage regulator is not correctly adjusted. Study your ammeter, learn to read its indications and you will get best results from your system.

AUTOMOBILE QUESTION BOX

Motoring Department, The Sun.—The generator on my car does not charge the battery properly, as I can see by ammeter. At 15 miles per hour the needle does not indicate more than five amperes. Where shall I find the trouble? G. S. T.

Ans. There are many causes of this trouble, and it would not be advisable for you to do more than look for loose wires and terminals. Other causes are dirty commutator, ill-fitting brushes, field windings, defective, faulty ammeter, cut-out troubles.

Motoring Department, The Sun.—I have a Marlin 1913 model. I believe it has an Overland Continental Motor in it. It starts pretty good and runs pretty good on all four when idle. I will say also that she hits fair on low and second speed. But it won't pull very good on high; in fact she will not hardly get a hill. She seems to miss and choke. I've had my Shebler carburetor apart, and even tried a different one. She seems to have good hot spark. I start on lighting battery and then run on low Splitdorf tension Magn. Could it be the magn. or carburetor or leak piston, or something like that? I have ground the valves a few weeks ago. Sometimes she runs good. That is for a few minutes, sometimes a couple of hours, then all at once she is no good. She will hit on two and three. Thinking you in advance, G. F. T.

Ans. Test compression by cranking engine slowly and noting if each cylinder gives good resistance. If compression is good the carburetor may not be properly adjusted for low engine speed. While running on high gear, especially on a hill, engine is not running as fast as on other speeds. Weak magnets would cause the same trouble. Close the spark-plug gaps slightly and see if trouble improves. If it does the magnets need recharging.

Motoring Department, The Sun.—Kindly answer the following through your motor trouble column. I have a machine whose electric lights will work fairly well when the motor is speeded up, but will be very dim when the motor is not working. The storage battery seems to be alright, as it pulls the starter easily. I have also a machine whose regulating points burn out. This prevents the current from flowing to the storage battery. The number shows "discharge" when the lights are on, but will not show "charge" when motor is speeded up. Both machines are equipped with a single unit electric system. M. E. S.

Ans. Evidently the battery is weak. Test with a hydrometer and if it is below 1.275 have it charged from an outside source, and have charging dynamo adjusted to keep it properly charged. Regulator points do not separate properly causing them to burn out. If ammeter does not show "charge," the generator may not be making current, the commutator may be dirty, the brushes not fit properly, the wires loose, or a fault in the ammeter. Do not tamper with it but have it overhauled by a competent repair man.

Motoring Department, The Sun.—How can I prevent the brushes from squeaking on my generator? Do they need renewing, or is the commutator getting rough? G. S. T.

Ans. The squeaking is caused by the commutator being a little too dry. A very light touch of vaseline or three-in-one on a certain quantity of sary. A good way to apply is to make a swab of a short stick with a piece of cloth wound round one end. Dip this in the lubricant and draw it across the commutator while revolving, touching it very lightly. The brushes have a certain quantity of graphite in them, which is the natural lubricant, but a touch of oil or vaseline is necessary occasionally.

Motoring Department, The Sun.—Please let me know what ails the shifting lever on my car. It jumps back into neutral from high speed, especially on a hill and sometimes refuses to stay in second speed. Frequently I have to hold my hand on it and steer with the other hand alone. If I have to use both hands to steer, it jumps out again. T. M. R.

Ans. The gear-lock needs adjustment. Remove cover of gear case and you will find a device which forces a plunger into the rod which moves the gear. Remove spring and plunger. A new spring may be needed or it should be screwed down more firmly. If this does not remedy the trouble, then the transmission gears are badly worn or out of line.

Motoring Department, The Sun.—Recently I have had trouble shifting gears. They grind terribly and I can find no way to prevent it. Can the trouble be in the clutch? Recently when I tried to put neatfoot oil on it I found it would not turn readily and I had to crank the engine to reach every part of the leather. My car is a 1914 with leather covered cone clutch and selective gears. S. J. D.

Ans. Evidently your clutch has seized—that is the center bearing has run dry and so turns around with the fly-wheel. There is a grease cup on the clutch to force grease into this bearing but it may have been neglected or may be clogged. The clutch must be taken out, the shaft smoothed up and a new bronze bushing fitted into the fly-wheel. This is an expensive repair job but is the only way out of the difficulty.

Motoring Department, The Sun.—My engine does not run smoothly when throttled down. It seems to

speed up slightly and then slow down again. Is there anything I can do to make the speed uniform? C. R. R.

Ans. This is known as surging, and is unavoidable. It is due to the gasoline shaking up and down in the spray nozzle. As it nears the top a richer mixture is drawn up, and the engine speeds up. As it falls back a leaner mixture is made, and the engine slows down. There is nothing you can do to prevent it.

THE HUMANITY OF THE ROAD
Much has been written about the road as an innate thing. Authors have word-painted the beauties of the broad highway. Poets have sung the praises of the open road. Artists have painted the silent mysteries of nature's wonderful breathing spaces. The geniuses of verbal expression have done a master work in drawing forth an appreciation for the routes of common life travel; these great stretches of land with numerous tributaries, which are the connecting links between a rural and urban people—blinding them, grip-like, into a more sociable family. This fact, no doubt, is responsible for the oft-used term "road roads." If their goodness ended here, their influence would be somewhat limited. As it is, they are cosmic for good. The pleasure-seeking motorist glides over the smooth-surfaced roads with positive contentment and breathes with freedom the freshness of woods and fields. But what is true of life relationships applies equally to the broad highway. One cannot always receive pleasure and not expect to give something in return. The road, being a constant giver of enjoyment, exacts a toll in exchange—an expression of self in an emergency. This is the personal side of the road—that which invites helpfulness to the distressed and makes the disabled motorist a newly-made friend. If the goodly influence of the road were here circumscribed, its righteousness would be restricted in scope. There is another characteristic radiating from the road which makes it in truth a missionary. For here at times birth is given to the highest and noblest qualities of human nature. A pedestrian may be roaming idly along the highway when he is met by a motorist alone. The walker is asked to ride, the men exchange words, and, although strangers, they are made sociable people. Selfishness has been robbed of being. Then, again, the car may see several occupants, and the knighting of the highway is invited to share an unoccupied place in their society. He reads in the invitation sympathy, kindness, and realizes that there is humanity in every mile of the avenue of mortal wayfaring. All that is needed is the circumstance to call these finer inherent characteristics into expression.—From American Motorist.

KAISER HAS ONLY AUTO IN GERMANY RUNNING ON PNEUMATIC TIRES

The only automobile in Germany running on pneumatic tires is Kaiser Wilhelm's. Even the crown prince is denied this luxury. Along with von Hindenburg, Lord Rotherham, Blackstone and others, the crown prince bumps along on tires filled with rags, compressed cork and paper. These statements are made by Victor Van der Linde, special technical representative of the B. F. Goodrich tire company of Akron, who has just returned after long study of the conditions abroad. "German scientists have tried to offset the scarcity of rubber by compounding what they call synthetic rubber," says Mr. Van der Linde, "but in this they have been unsuccessful. They have not an ounce of crude rubber in it and therefore it is devoid of life. Then again it has cost about 15 times more a pound than the vegetable rubber. Both Germany and Austria and countries bounding them, with the exception of Hungary are at war with them, and have laid plant. Really the only car running with inner tubes in Germany today is that of the Kaiser.

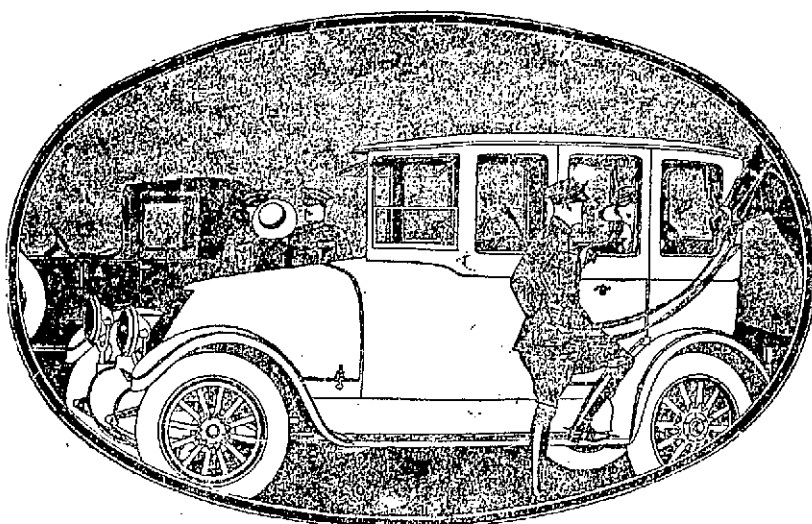
"Some tires have even been filled with sand and dirt and this refers only to those cars that have ragged and worn left. Most automobiles have ground under their shoes and move about on rims bound with rope. I was fortunate to find a taxicab in Berlin—a taxicab is rare there now—and experienced the sensation of riding in a machine having nothing but rope-bound wheels. It was just like riding on a wagon. There isn't a bicycle tire left in Germany out side of those on military bicycles.

"Germany had little crude rubber in

stock at the outbreak of the war. Since then she has been depending on what she could smuggle through the mails and what she could buy from Sweden. Single sheets of rubber were sent in letters from the United States until Great Britain opened these and confiscated them. After this channel had been closed she purchased large numbers of automobiles in this country and had them shipped to Sweden. There she stripped the automobiles of the tires and abandoned brand new machines to the Swedes. But now Great Britain permits tires to be shipped to Sweden with tire equipment.

Mr. Van der Linde gave the prevailing prices of tires in the following countries: Germany and Austria, none to be had; Sweden, \$250 for tire, if purchased in this country; Norway, \$450 with permit; Denmark, \$320 for a tire purchaser can find one and give written assurance to government that it will not go to Germany; Holland, \$350 for a tire, with government guarantee; Russia, \$100; Great Britain and France, \$50; Italy, \$100; Spain, \$125.

"In Sweden," continued Mr. Van der Linde, "there are 10,000 automobiles. There are 1000 in operation, and no tires from which has disappeared all semblance of the original casing. Tires



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